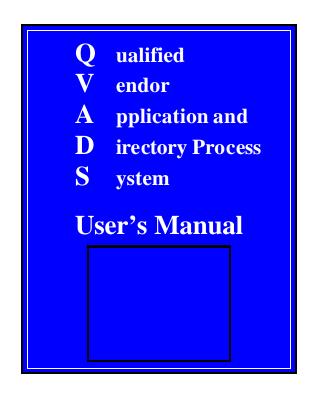
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INTRODUCTION

You have decided you want to do business with the State of Arizona, Department Of Economic Security, Division of Developmental Disabilities (DES/DDD) and you want to apply to provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities. You will be looking at information that explains the coordination and efforts of DES/DDD, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), The Office of Licensure, Certification, and Regulation (OLCR), and other governmental and regulatory bodies.

The Qualified Vendor and Directory System (QVADS) is the open and continuous vendor application and agreement maintenance process. You will be answering questions and supplying information in the QVADS system that will make-up your application. In order to complete the application process, Applicants for Qualified Vendor Agreements must use the QVADS to enter information for submittal to the Division's web site as well as to generate the hardcopy application that must be signed and sent (with supporting documentation) to the Division.

The <u>completed agreement</u> will consist of the following three key elements and it is important that applicants know and understand ALL of the following:

- A completed on-line application.
- All nine Sections of the Request for Qualified Vendor Application (RFQVA).
- All responses provided by the Applicant Vendor.
- All additional hardcopy materials as per the Submittal Checklist such as:
 - Financial Information
 - Arizona Substitute W-9 Form



NOTE: All hardcopy materials are to be mailed to: DES/DDD - Contracts Unit 791A

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<u>Purpose</u>

This manual will provide the NEW and EXISTING SERVICE PROVIDER the basic step-by-step review and data entry instructions necessary to complete the application and/or application amendment process for specific services. The division website has extensive information for you to read.

It is strongly suggested that you read and understand certain materials BEFORE you begin the application process. Some of it is labeled for families and consumers but all of the information is available to anyone and may enlighten you on topics of which you were unaware.

Accessing the DES/DDD Website

Enter the following information into your web browser's Address area:

- http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/
- You will be taken to the DES/DDD Home Page (Refer to Figure Intro 1). The appearance of this page will change periodically.

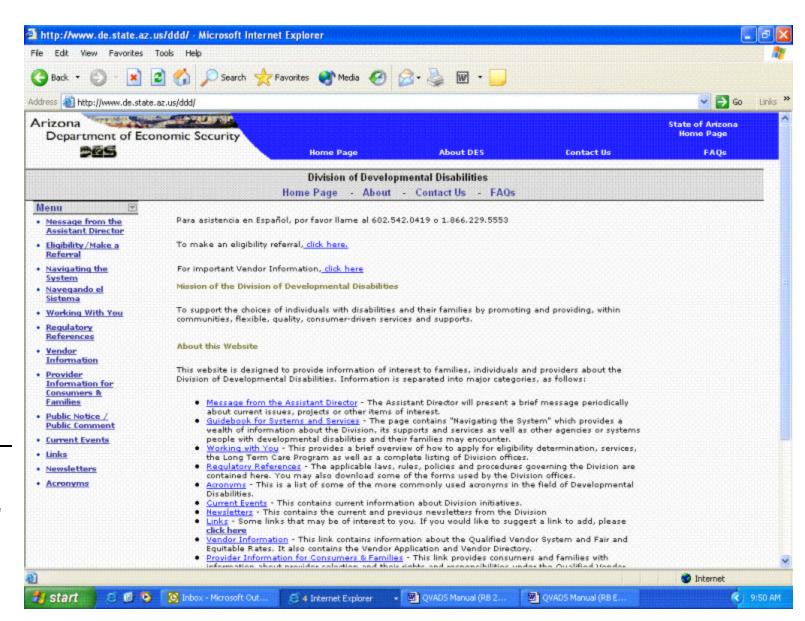


Figure Intro 1
A typical DDD
Home Page.
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periodically.

Materials Review



Note: You will need ADOBE ACROBAT READER in order to view and print these files. Acrobat reader is a free downloadable program available at www.adobe.com.

In the Menu on the left-hand side of the page, click on "Vendor Information".

You will be taken to a page entitled AZ Division of Developmental Disabilities Qualified Vendor Application & Directory (Refer to Figure Intro 2).

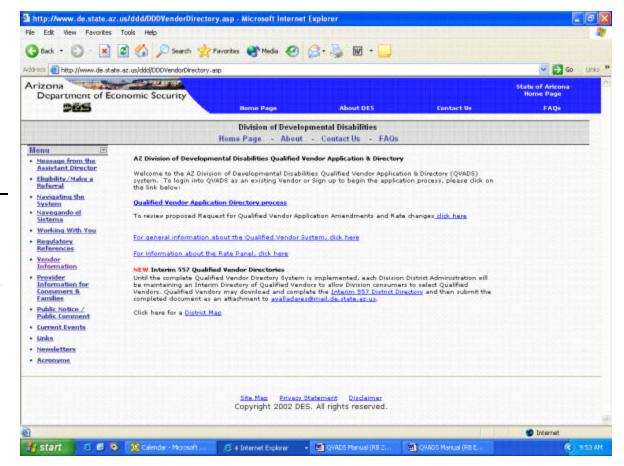


Figure Intro 2
A typical AZ
Division of
Developmental
Disabilities
Qualified Vendor
Application &
Directory Page.
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Click on the link entitled "For general information about the Qualified Vendor System, click here."

This will open a new screen entitled Qualified Vendor System and Fair and Equitable Rates (Refer to Figure Intro 3).

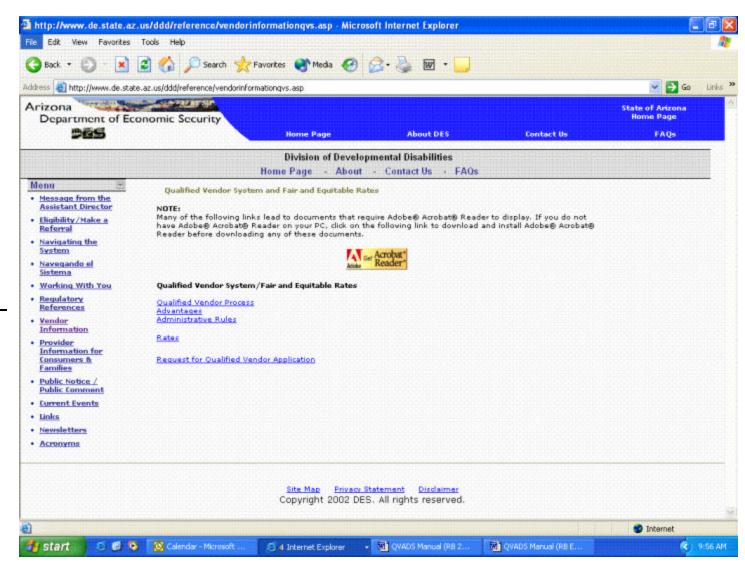


Figure Intro 3
A typical
Qualified Vendor
System and Fair
and Equitable
Rates Page.
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On the Qualified Vendor System and Fair and Equitable Rates page review the following links and content provided to understand the purpose, advantages, rules and rate structure associated with the DES/DDD Qualified Vendor Process:

Qualified Vendor Process

This page presents a simple flowchart depicting the basic flow from the Qualified Vendor Application process through to a satisfied Consumer. (Adobe . pdf file)

Advantages

This page lists all basic advantages provided by the Qualified Vendor Application process for Providers, for the State of Arizona and for Families and People with Disabilities. (WORD .doc file)

Administrative Rules

This page lists the rule that has been initiated to provide the regulatory framework for implementation of a procurement process that will support the statewide purchase of services for individuals with developmental disabilities, as defined at A.R.S. § 36-557, and for the establishment of a rate setting process as defined in A.R.S. § 36-2959. The Department is exempt from the rulemaking process according to Laws 2002, Chapter 329, Section 35. (WORD .doc file)

Administrative Rules include the following major components:

- 1. The development of a Qualified Vendor application process.
- Creation of a list of Qualified Vendors.
- 3. Establishing, reviewing and updating reimbursement rates.
- 4. Purchasing of community developmental disability services from provider organizations.
- 6. Reimbursement of Qualified Vendors based on published rates or negotiated rates.
- 7. Issuing authorizations to Qualified Vendors.
- 8. Establishment of a process for the consumer or the consumer's representative to select a provider.
- 9. Maintaining an open and continuous process of accepting applications to become a Qualified Vendor.
- 10. Legal and contractual remedies related to this procurement process.

Rates

This page presents both historic and current rates available for the various services provided under the DES/DDD Qualified Vendor Process.

Request for Qualified Vendor Application

Click on the link entitled "Request for Qualified Vendor Application. This will open a list of all available "Requests for Qualified Vendor Applications." You will see the following listing (services listed below for your convenience):



NOTE: Services and new Requests for Qualified Vendor Applications may be added periodically.

Request for Qualified Vendor Application RFQVA DDD-704011

Home-Bas	sed Services				
	Attendant Care				
	Habilitation, Community Protection and Treatment Hourly				
	Habilitation, Support				
	Housekeeping				
	Respite				
Day Treat	ment and Training Services				
	Day Treatment and Training, Adult				
	Day Treatment and Training, Child (After-School)				
	Day Treatment and Training, Child (Summer)				
Developm	ental Home Services				
	Habilitation, Vendor Supported Developmental Home (Child and Adult)				
	Room and Board, Vendor Supported Developmental Home (Child and Adult)				
Independent Living Services					
	Habilitation, Individually Designed Living Arrangement				
Group Ho	me Services				
	Habilitation, Community Protection and Treatment Group Home				
	Habilitation, Nursing Supported Group Home				
	Room and Board, All Group Homes				
Professio	nal Services				
	Home Health Aide				
	Nursing				
	Occupational Therapy				
	Physical Therapy				
	Physical Therapy Early Intervention				
	Speech Therapy				
	Speech Therapy Early Intervention				
Other Services					
	Transportation				

Request for Qualified Vendor Application RFQVA DDD-704012, Specialized Habilitation, Music

Specialized Habilitation, Music

Request for Qualified Vendor Application RFQVA DDD-704014, Support Coordination (Case Mgmt)

Support Coordination (Case Mgmt)

Clicking on the desired Request for Qualified Vendor Application Number will display the following options:

- 1. **Current** This is the current version of the agreement. All modifications are included in this version.
- 2. **History** This will display historical contract versions since the first version.

Clicking on any of the two links above will bring up additional links in the same window. The various sections of the particular RFQVA are as follows:

- Amendment for the particular agreement
- Submittal Checklist
- Section 1 Notice of Request for Qualified Vendor Applications
- Section 2 Table of Contents
- Section 3 General Instructions
- Section 4 Background
- Section 5 Service Requirements
- Section 6 –Standard Terms and Conditions
- Section 7 Service Specifications
- Section 8 Arizona Geographical Map
- Section 9A & 9B Application and Agreement, Qualified Vendor Application and Directory



NOTE: Section 9B will soon be eliminated and replaced with this stand alone manual.



NOTE: To prepare yourself for the actual application process, <u>print and follow the provided SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST</u> and <u>REVIEW ALL SECTIONS</u> listed under "CURRENT" *PRIOR TO* submitting an application. The individual sections are provided in MS Word and Adobe Acrobat file format. It is strongly recommended that you download these individual files onto your computer for ease of review.

SECTION 1. BEGIN APPLICATION

Once you have reviewed all of the necessary information as suggested above, you are now ready to start your application process. USE THE <u>RFQVA</u> TO GUIDE YOUR ENTRIES.



Helpful Hints:

- Please have your Federal Employment ID # or Social Security Number.
- Please have a valid e-mail address. See page 6 of this Section for Information on establishing an e-mail address.

Provider ID:	
<u> </u>	
E-Mail address:	
<u>-</u>	



NOTE on POP-UP BLOCKERS: If your computer system has an active POP-UP Blocking Program, the QVADS program will not work. You must either 1) approve/OK our site in your program or 2) disable your Pop-Up Blocking Program.

Accessing the DES/DDD Website

Enter the following information into your web browser's Address area:

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You will be taken to the **DES/DDD Home Page (Refer to Figure 1-1)**. The appearance of this page will change periodically.

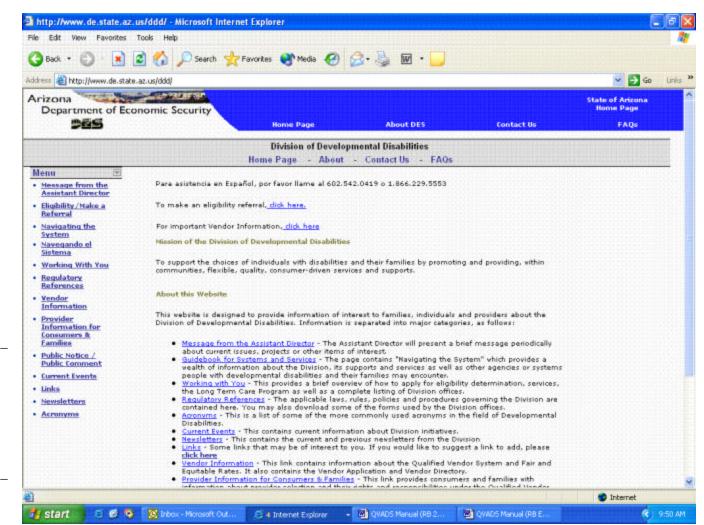


Figure 1-1
A typical DDD
Home Page.
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periodically.

In the **Menu** on the left-hand side of the page, click on the link entitled <u>"Vendor Information"</u>. You will be taken to a page entitled **AZ Division of Developmental Disabilities Qualified Vendor Application & Directory (Refer to Figure 1-2)**.

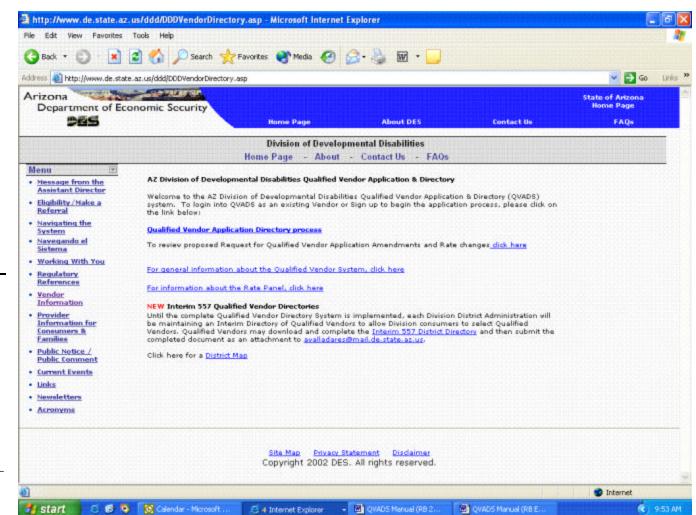


Figure 1-2
A typical AZ
Division of
Developmental
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Qualified Vendor
Application &
Directory Page.
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Click on the link entitled; "Qualified Vendor Application Directory Process." This will start the actual program you will use to complete your on-line application. You will be taken to a page entitled QVADS HOME PAGE (Refer to Figure 1-3).

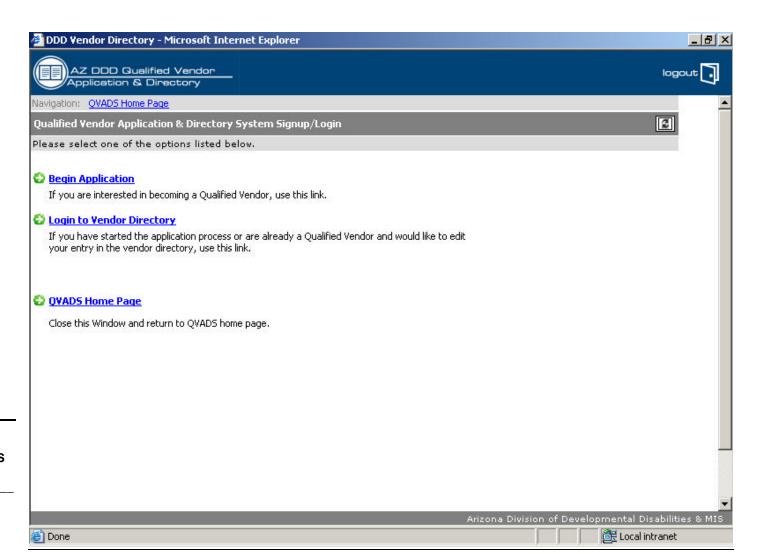


Figure 1-3 A typical QVADS HOME PAGE.

To Begin a NEW Application

On the QVADS HOME PAGE click on the link entitled "Begin Application".



(WARNING: Only do this if you DO NOT ALREADY have a qualified Vendor Agreement with the division). Once you have clicked on this link you will be taken to a screen entitled **Vendor Directory Email Verification (Refer to Figure 1-4)**



NOTE: We ask you to provide us with some basic contact information in order to do business. You are required to provide information in all of the blanks with an asterisk next to their heading.



NOTE: It is important for you to remember the information to access your application in the future. You are responsible for making this information secure. This information should only be provided to individuals who have the authority to alter your application.

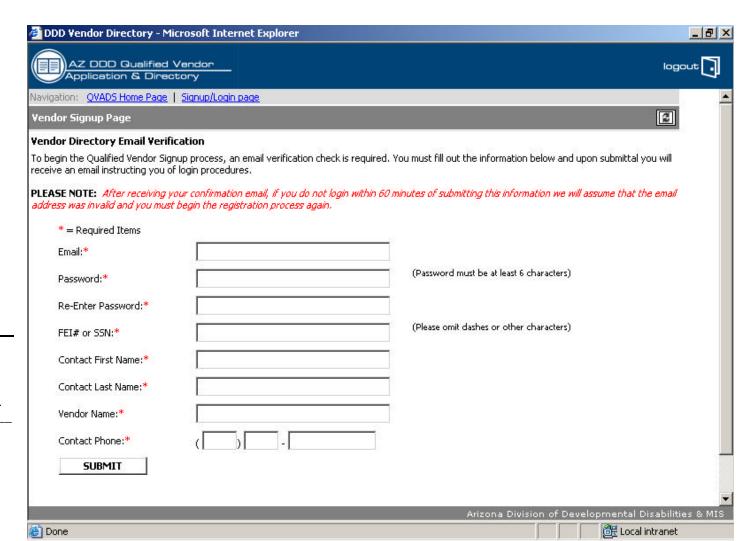


Figure 1-4A typical Vendor Directory Email Verification page.

On the Vendor Directory Email Verification page enter the following (all required):

- A valid email address. If you don't have an email address already there are a number of free email services out there. Yahoo.com and Hotmail.com are two of them. There are many others. Choose one that suits your needs. There are services that provided limited, but FREE Internet access.
- **Password.** At least 6 characters in length and it is case sensitive.
- · Re-enter Password.
- Federal Employment Identification number or your personal Social Security Number.
- Vendor Name or your name.
- Contact Phone Number.

Once you complete your entries and click the "Submit" button you will be sent a confirming email and will be taken to a Vendor Directory Signup Confirmation page (Refer to Figure 1-5).

The **confirming e-mail** email will contain a link.



NOTE: In order to activate your account **you must click on the link in the email and login to the QVADS system within 60 minutes.** Failure to do so could result in your information being determined as invalid and you will have to repeat the above steps.

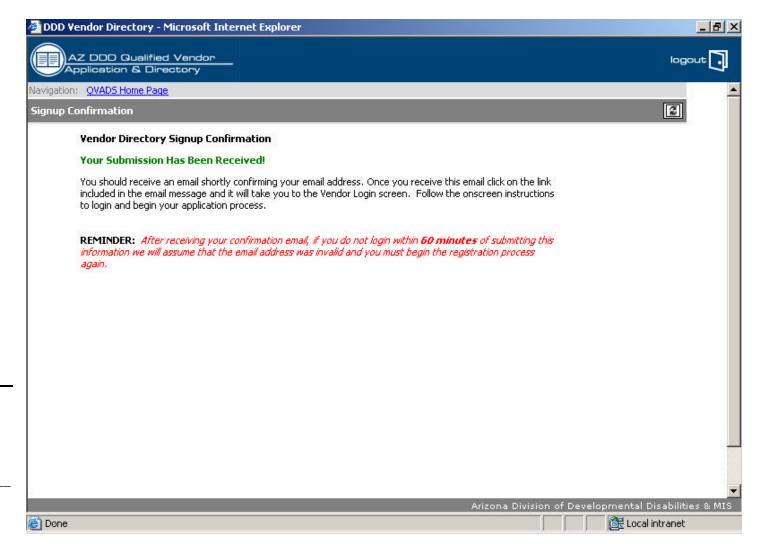


Figure 1-5 A typical Vendor Directory Signup Confirmation page.

When you click on the link provided in your **confirming email** you will be taken to a screen entitled **Vendor Login Page** (Refer to Figure 1-6) where you will type your email address and password and click "Login".

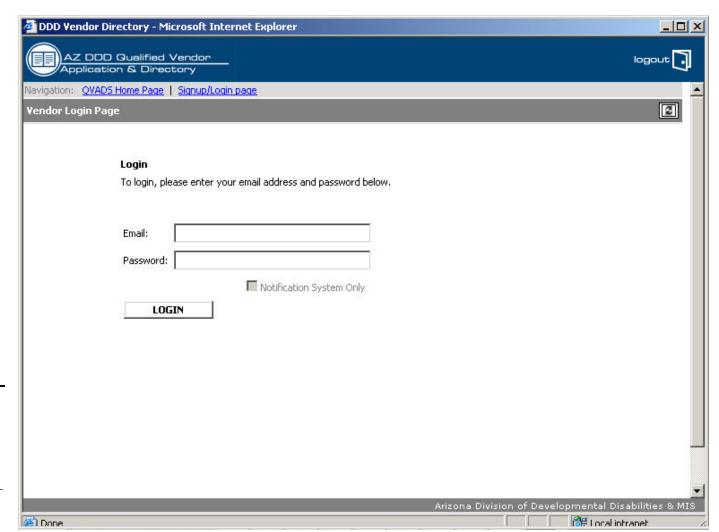


Figure 1-6
A typical Vendor
Directory Signup
Confirmation
page.

When you click "Login" you will then be taken to a screen entitled Main Menu (Refer to Figure 1-7).

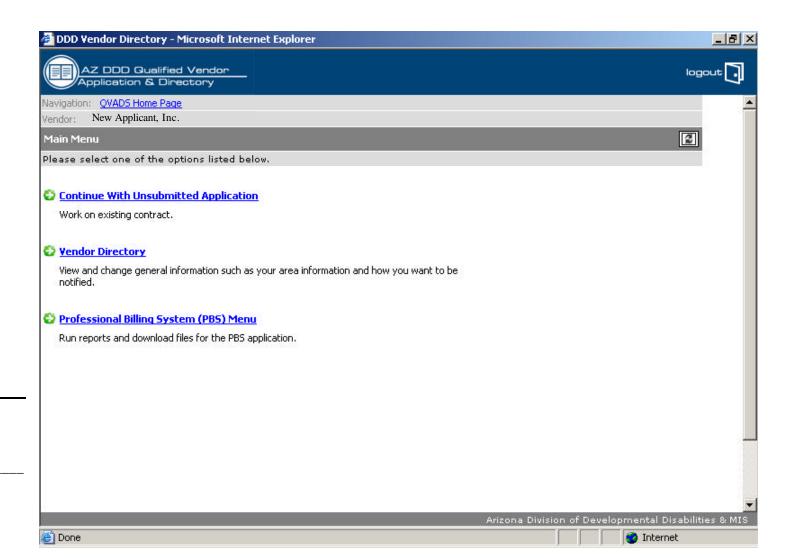


Figure 1-7
A typical MAIN
MENU page.

SECTION 2. CONTACT INFORMATION

This section will focus on the **basic information related to your agency, company or business**. (Note: do not click on the "Submit for Review" button until you have completed ALL data entry for ALL sections. However, we recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.)

At the Main Menu (Refer to Figure 2-1) click on the link entitled "Create A New Application".

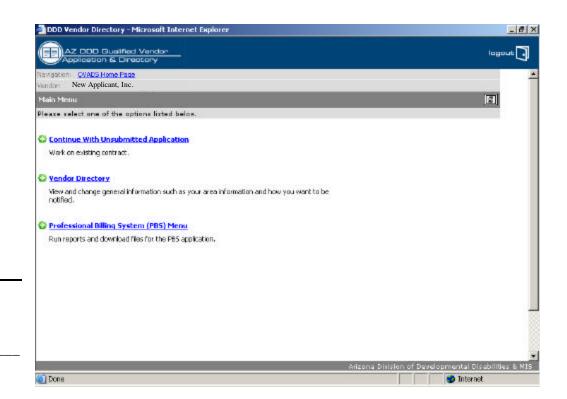


Figure 2-1 A typical MAIN MENU page.

You will then be taken to a screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 2-2) that contains the following five links:

- 1. <u>Contact Information</u>: Company phone numbers, mailing address, billing address etc.
- 2. <u>Policy Information</u>: General information about Recruitment & Training and the Quality Management plan
- 3. Assurances and Submittals Form: Mandatory survey that must be filled out to be considered for Qualified Vendor status.
- 4. My Services: View or edit Services my company offers.
- 5. My Administrative and Service Sites: View or edit Administrative Sites and Service Sites.

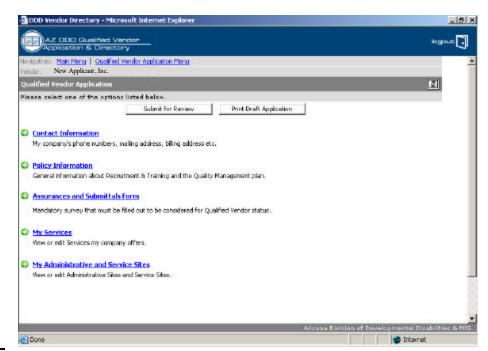


Figure 2-2
A typical Qualified
Vendor Application
page.

Click on the first link entitled "Contact Information".



NOTE: This information will be used by the Division to conduct day-to-day business. Please complete all fields. All areas with a **RED ASTERISK** are **REQUIRED ENTRIES**.

You will be taken to a page entitled **QV Application: Vendor Contact Information (Refer to Figure 2-3)** where you will enter data about your business for the following areas:



General Information

NOTE: Please be careful in choosing "AGENCY vs. INDEPENDENT". Choosing "AGENCY" will require that you have a Federal Employer Identification (FEI) number and 1 or more employees.

- Principle Contact Information
 - Mailing Information



- Notice Contact Information
- Billing /Payment InformationAuthorized Signatory and Title

Helpful Hint: We recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.

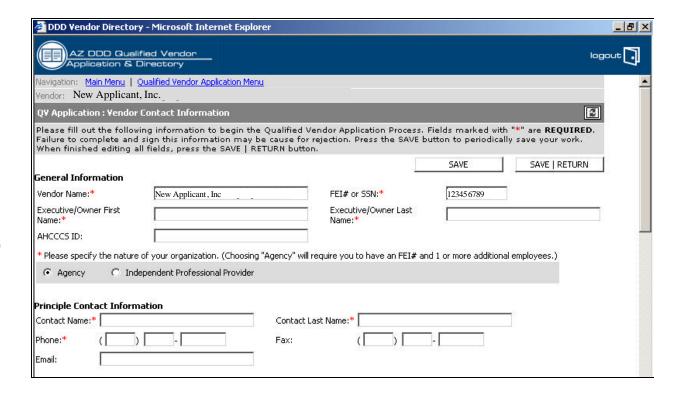


Figure 2-3 (Top)
A typical QV
Application: Vendor
Contact Information
page.

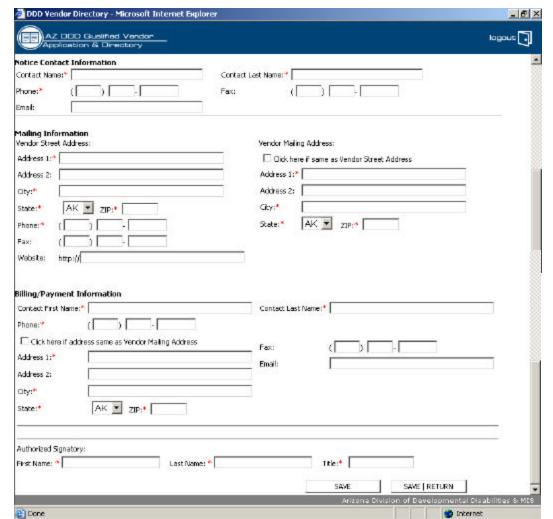


Figure 2-3 (Middle and Bottom) A typical QV

Application: Vendor Contact Information page.

When you complete this page, click on the "SAVE | RETURN" button.

You will be taken back to the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 2-2).

SECTION 3. POLICY INFORMATION

This section will focus on your disclosure of information related to **your business' Personnel Recruitment & Training and Quality Management Plan**.



NOTE: Do not click on the "Submit for Review" button until you have completed ALL data entry for **ALL sections**. However, we recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.



Helpful Hints:

- All questions must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status.
- Each major text area is limited to 2000 characters maximum.
- There is no 'spell-check' feature in the text areas. It is strongly recommended that you create your responses using a word processing program to not only spell-check your entries, but also to check the character length of each entry. Your answers can then simply be copied and pasted into the appropriate section in the application.
- It is important to respond to each item.

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 3-1), click on the link entitled "Policy Information".

You will be taken to a page entitled Vendor Policies (Refer to Figure 3-2).

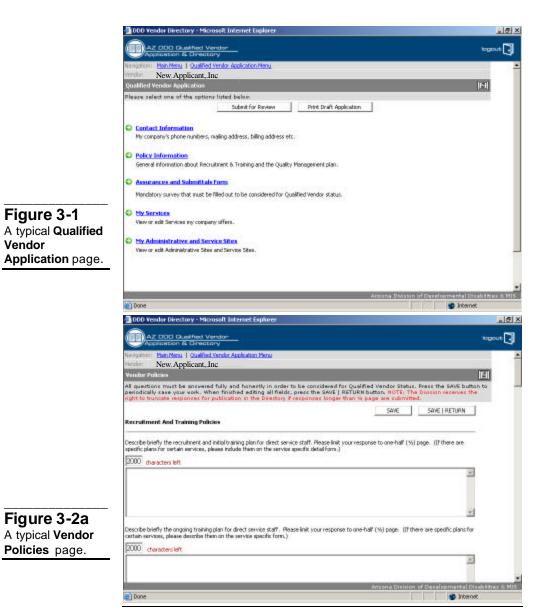


Figure 3-2a A typical Vendor Policies page.

Figure 3-1

Vendor



Helpful Hints:

The following is a list of the various parts of this section and some key points to consider when crafting your responses.



Note: Refer to Section 5 – Service Requirements of your Request for Qualified Vendor Application to assist you with your responses.

Recruitment And Training Policies

Describe briefly the recruitment and initial training plan for direct service staff.

- Recruitment plan should include position, qualifications, and how recruitment takes place.
- Initial Training plan should include what training is required and when/where/how the training will be conducted.
- Individual Providers should indicate they are either an Independent Professional Provider or a staffed Agency.

Describe briefly the ongoing training plan for direct service staff.

- Plan should include position, training required, and when/how the training will be conducted.
- Individual Providers should indicate what training they have had, and when/where/how the training was obtained.

Describe briefly the <u>backup plan for direct service staff absences</u> (preplanned and emergency absences).

- Preplanned absences backup plan should include
 - Notification of client and family
 - o Rescheduling or alternative staff coverage
- Emergency absences backup plan should include
 - Notification of client and family
 - o Rescheduling or alternative staff coverage

Incident Reporting - Internal and External

Who is the <u>person</u> within the vendor's organization for reviewing incident reports?

• Name of individual and should indicate individual's qualifications/position.

Who is the <u>person</u> within the vendor's organization for notifying a consumer's family/representative of incidents?

Name of individual and should indicate individual's qualifications/position.

Do you have <u>written policies and procedures</u> regarding the reporting of incidents of abuse, neglect and exploitation?

• A "Yes" response is required by Section 5 – Service Requirements in the Request for Qualified Vendor Application.

Are reporting protocols shared with consumers/families/consumer representatives?

• A "Yes" response is required by Section 5 – Service Requirements in the Request for Qualified Vendor Application.

How are incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation or injury reported internally?

- Should reference existing agency policy and/or reference DES/DDD Administrative Directive 76 (Revised); response may also include the following: acceptance of client includes assessment for potential abuse, neglect, exploitation, or injury and prevention plan; periodic re-assessments.
 - 1. Access Main DES/DDD website: http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/
 - 2. Click on Policy & Procedure: http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/reference/policyproc.asp
 - 3. Click on Administrative Directives (WORD Doc)
 - 4. Click on Directive 76 Incident Reporting and the Risk Incident Management System (9/19/03)
- Should indicate who is responsible for reporting incidents.
- Should indicate who the incident is reported to; i.e., agency administrator, immediate supervisor, etc.
- Should indicate when the incident is reported; i.e., immediately, within 24 hours, etc.
- Should indicate how notification will take place: verbal and/or written (phone, e-mail, fax, mail)
- Verbal notifications followed up with a written report.
- Form to be used: Incident Report DD-191, Agency internal form.
- May indicate what action is taken on the client's behalf immediately and as a follow-up.

How are incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation or injury reported externally?

• Should reference existing agency policy and/or reference DES/DDD Administrative Directive 76 (Revised); response may also include the following: acceptance of client includes assessment for potential abuse, neglect, exploitation, or injury and prevention plan; periodic re-assessments.

1. Access Main DES/DDD website: http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/

2. Click on Policy & Procedure: http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/reference/policyproc.asp

- 3. Click on Administrative Directives (WORD Doc)
- 4. Click on Directive 76 Incident Reporting and the Risk Incident Management System (9/19/03)
- Should indicate who is responsible for reporting incidents.
- Should indicate who the incident is reported to; i.e., DES/DDD support coordinator, protective services, police, and family/guardian.
- Should indicate when the incident is reported; i.e., immediately, within 24 hours, etc.
- Should indicate how notification will take place: verbal and/or written (phone, e-mail, fax, mail)
- Verbal notifications followed up with a written report.
- Form to be used: Incident Report DD-191, Agency internal form.
- May indicate what action is taken on the client's behalf immediately and as a follow-up.

Describe the <u>internal review process</u> for incident reports and <u>how corrective action is implemented</u>.

- Should include who will conduct an investigation; i.e. staff, physician, other individuals.
- Should indicate what outcomes will be determined; i.e. need for performance improvement, continued monitoring, staff training, policy change.
- Should indicate what follow-up treatment/action/preventative action will be implemented.
- Should indicate timeframe for completion of internal reviews.
- Should indicate how the completion of a correction is verified.

Complaint/Grievance Process

Who is the person within the vendor's organization responsible for resolving the complaint/grievance?

• Name of individual and should indicate individual's qualifications/position.

Is there a <u>complaint/grievance form?</u>

- If the agency does not have a form, they should indicate how complaint/grievances are filed or what procedure they are following.
- Should indicate if they are planning to develop a form.

Do you have <u>written policies and procedures</u> regarding the submission of complaints/grievances?

- If the agency does not have a policy, they should indicate what procedure they are following.
- Should indicate if they intend to develop and implement a policy.

Are complaints/grievances shared with consumers/families/consumer representatives?

• Should include an explanation of why or why not.

Who can file a complaint/grievance?

- Should indicate who can complain or grieve.
- Should indicate how the complaint/grievance should be submitted.

What is the complaint/grievance <u>handling timeline</u>?

• Should indicate timeline including review time and response time.

Describe the complaints/grievance process.

Should indicate who reviews complaints/grievances, what steps are included in the review processes, and what actions may
be taken.

Program / Feedback Process

How is input from consumers, families and/or consumer representatives encouraged?

- Should provide an opportunity, at least an annual basis, for a consumer satisfaction survey.
- Should discuss collection of information and feedback from meetings with families, individuals, and groups.
- Should mention suggestion box, comment cards, etc.

Describe the <u>process used to measure</u> consumer/family/consumer representative satisfaction with services.

- Should indicate who reviews formal and informal input/feedback.
- Should explain how formal and informal input/feedback is reviewed.
- Should indicate what follow-up action may be taken.
- Should outline how input is shared and utilized to improve service delivery.
- Should explain how improvement is measured or demonstrated; i.e., fewer complaints about a particular area of service, complements due to a change in service delivery methods, etc.

Describe how are consumers/families/consumer representatives are <u>involved in the hiring and/or evaluation</u> of direct service staff.

- Should indicate if and how consumers/families/consumer representatives are formally involved in hiring of direct service staff; i.e., if a family or consumer referred applicant meet requirements, the vendor may opt to hire them, if family or consumer is part of the interview committee, etc.
- Should indicate if and how consumers/families/consumer representatives are formally involved in evaluation of direct service staff; i.e., if input/feedback about specific staff members is directly solicited from consumers/families/ consumer representatives.
- Should indicate if annual surveys and input/feedback are used in employee evaluations.

Who is feedback forwarded to within the agency?

• Name of individual and should indicate individual's qualifications/position.

Describe how consumers/families/consumer representatives are <u>involved in the evaluation process</u> for the improvement of services.

• Should reiterate responses in Program / Feedback Process questions a through d.

Is past feedback available to consumers/families/consumer representatives when considering a vendor?

- "Yes" or "No" response
- Should indicate if letters of reference and commendation are available to families upon request.
- Should indicate if licensing reports are available for review.
- Should indicate if interested parties are directed to DES/DDD or other governing entities for licensing reports, number and

nature of unusual incidents, and related compliance issues.

Consumer Involvement

Describe all of the other <u>methods used</u> by your organization to provide opportunities for consumers/families/consumer representatives to be <u>actively involved in your organization's operations</u> (i.e., advisory groups, staff recruitment, staff training and development, monitoring, social events, etc.).

- Should list possible consumers/families/consumer representatives involvement similar to the following:
 - Recruit as vendor volunteers
 - Recruit as advisory representatives
 - o Involve in planning and participating in events
 - Train to assist in conducting meetings/trainings
 - o Use as a resource for recruitment, interviewing, and recommendation of potential staff
 - Utilize feedback in the monitoring process
 - Provide opportunity to ask questions, make presentations, or comment at open agenda meetings
 - o Request donations of furniture, appliances, vehicles, etc.

Please indicate if there are any active community advisory groups.

 Should name the advisory group and indicate its purpose, frequency of meetings, how participants are recruited and their role.

Internal Quality Efforts

Describe the process used by the vendor to monitor and evaluate the services provided as they relate to the ISP objectives.

- Should tell how monitoring and evaluation is conducted; i.e., staff meetings, review of required staff reports addressing ISP goals and objectives, site visits, evaluations by families, etc.
- Should indicate frequency of monitoring and evaluations.

Describe the overall vendor approach toward the improvement of the quality and appropriateness of services provided.

- Should address method of assessing/re-assessing client needs, how it is determined if goals and objectives have been met, and approach to establishing appropriate services through the ISP.
- Should discuss staff evaluations and implementation processes of new procedures.
- Should address the types and frequency of managerial reports used to track practices and as tools for quality improvement.

When you complete this page, click on the "SAVE I RETURN" button.

You will be taken back to the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 3-1).

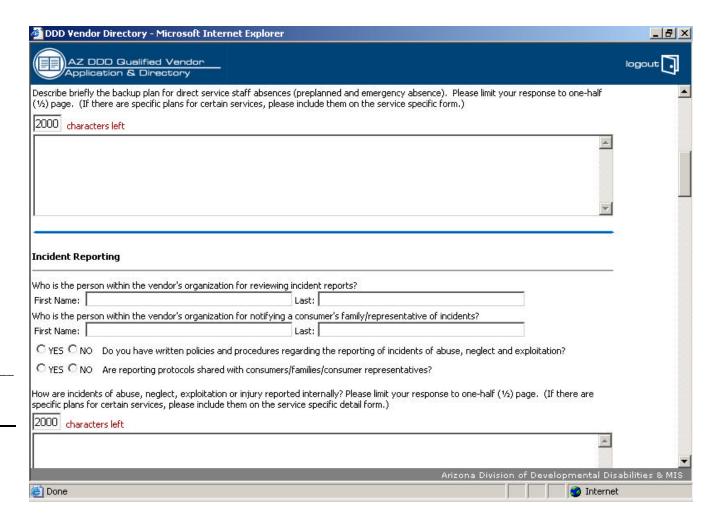


Figure 3-2b
A typical Vendor
Policies page.

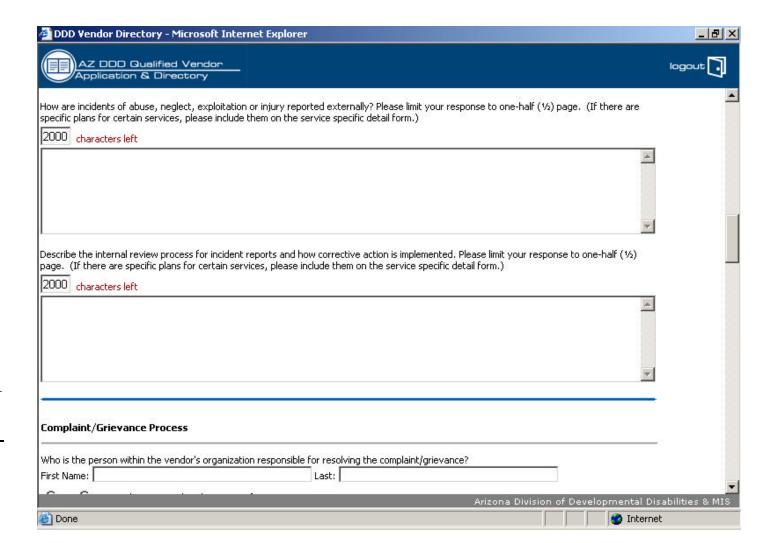


Figure 3-2c A typical Vendor Policies page.

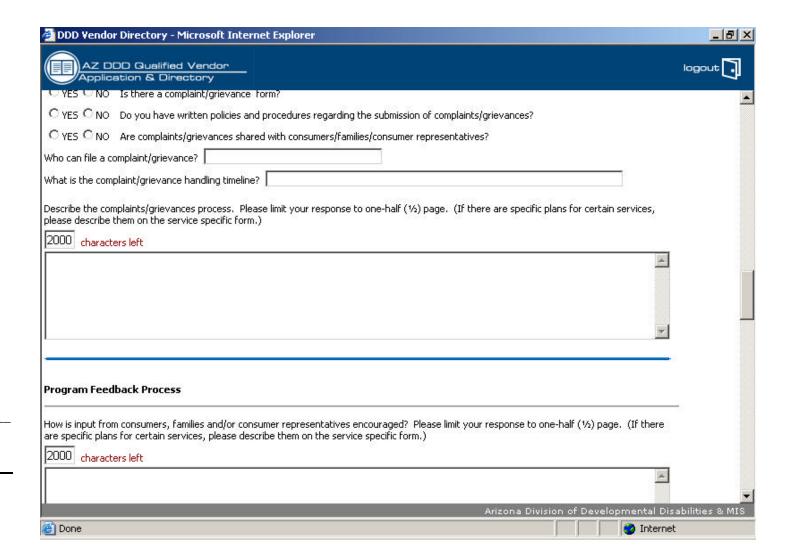


Figure 3-2d A typical Vendor Policies page.

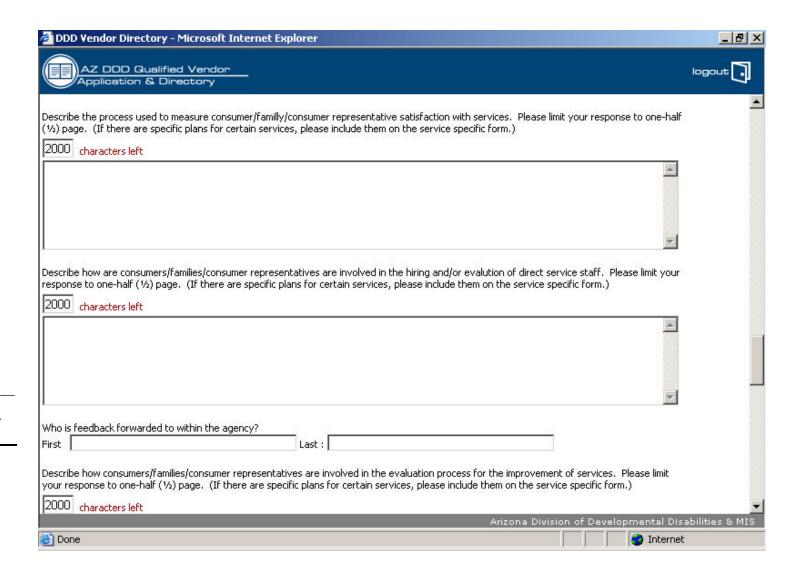


Figure 3-2e A typical Vendor Policies page.

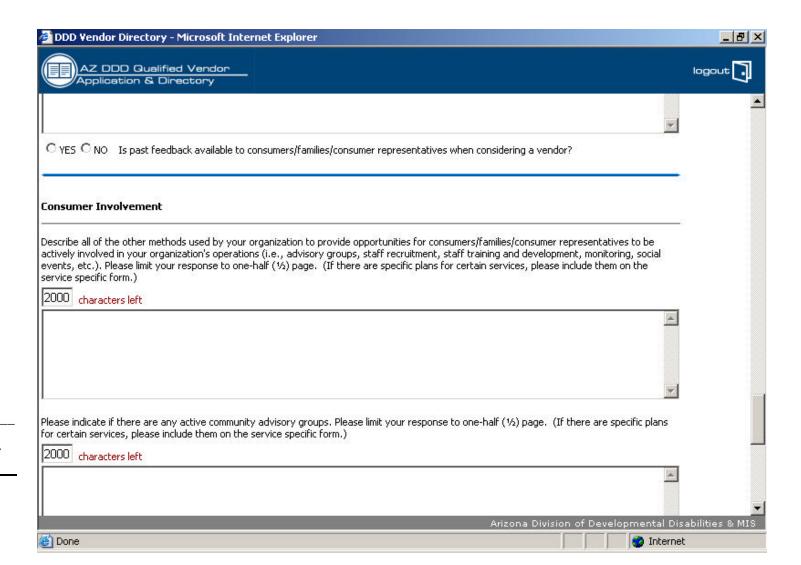


Figure 3-2f A typical Vendor Policies page.

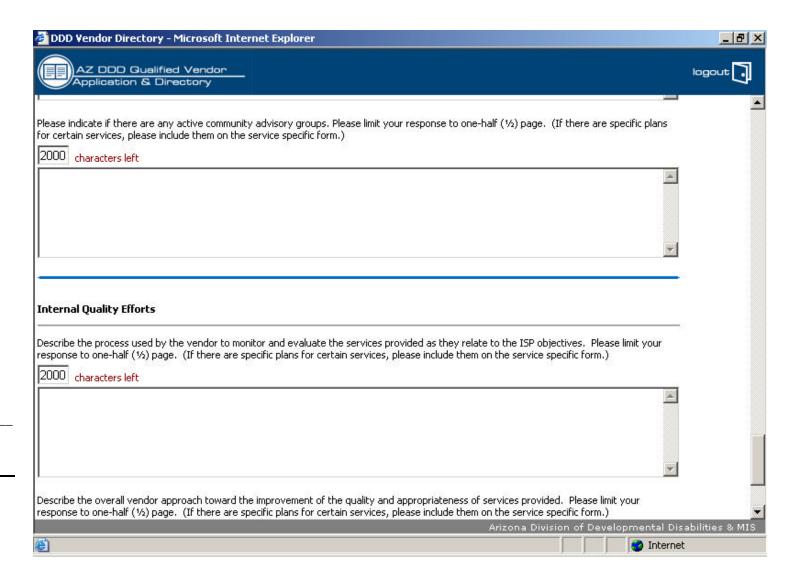


Figure 3-2g A typical Vendor Policies page.

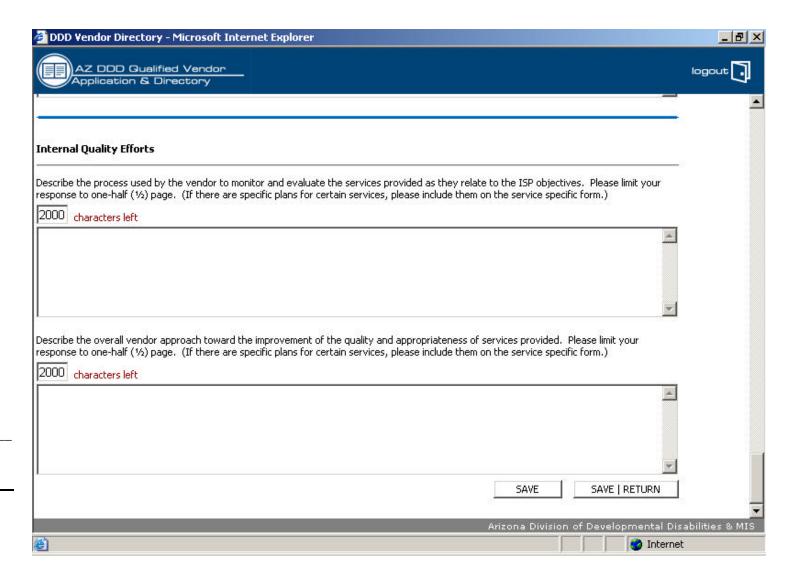


Figure 3-2h
A typical Vendor
Policies page.

SECTION 4. ASSURANCES and SUBMITTALS

This section will focus on your disclosure of additional information related to your business operations and financial status as well as your understanding of Arizona and DES/DDD laws, rules and policies.



NOTE: Do not click on the "Submit for Review" button until you have completed ALL data entry for ALL section. However, we recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.



Helpful Hints:

- All questions must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status.
- All questions and resulting answers are subject to audit by the DES/DDD.
- When this section is printed for your hardcopy, you will be required to sign and date it.
- Depending on how you answer certain questions, you may be required to submit additional attachments.

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 4-1) click on the link entitled "Assurances and Submittal Form".

You will be taken to a page entitled Qualified Vendor Application Assurances and Submittals Form (Refer to Figure 4-2).

You will find a listing of 25 questions.

Once you have answered ALL of the 25 questions, click on the "SAVE I RETURN" button.

You will be taken back to the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 4-1).

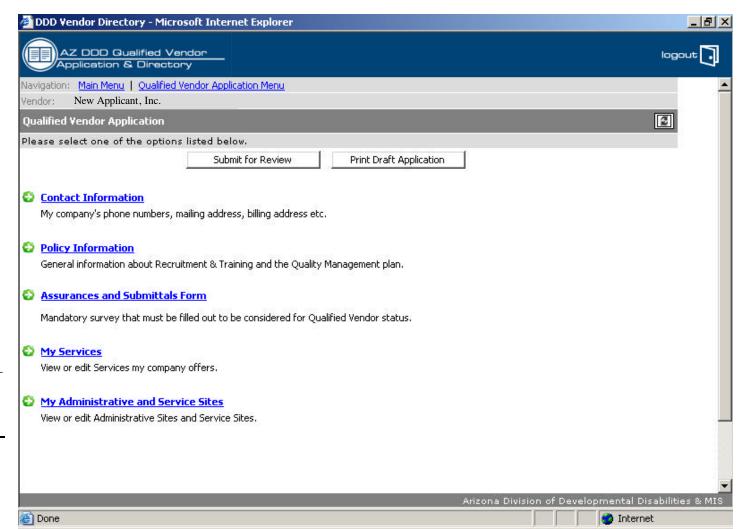


Figure 4-1 A typical Qualified Vendor Application page.

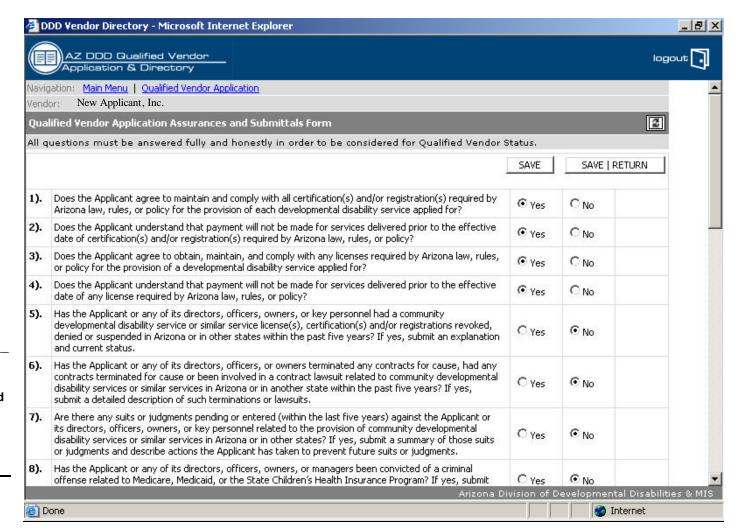


Figure 4-2 (Top)

A typical Qualified Vendor Application Assurances and Submittals Form page.

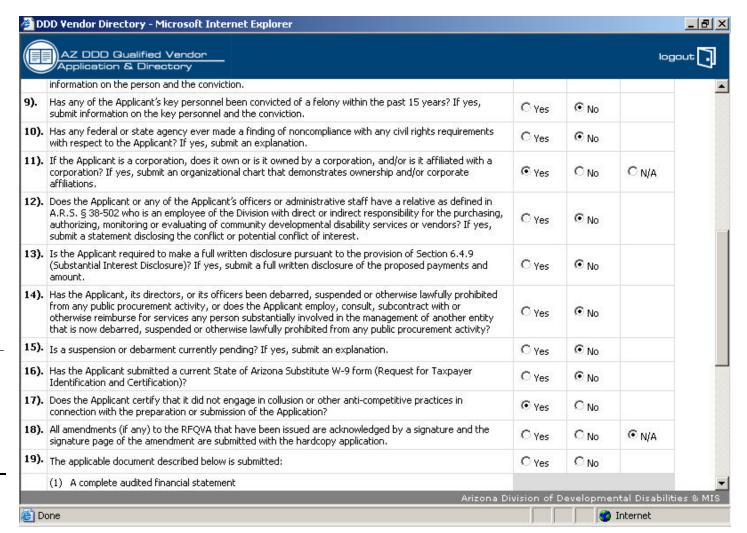


Figure 4-2 (Middle) A typical Qualified Vendor Application Assurances and Submittals Form

page.

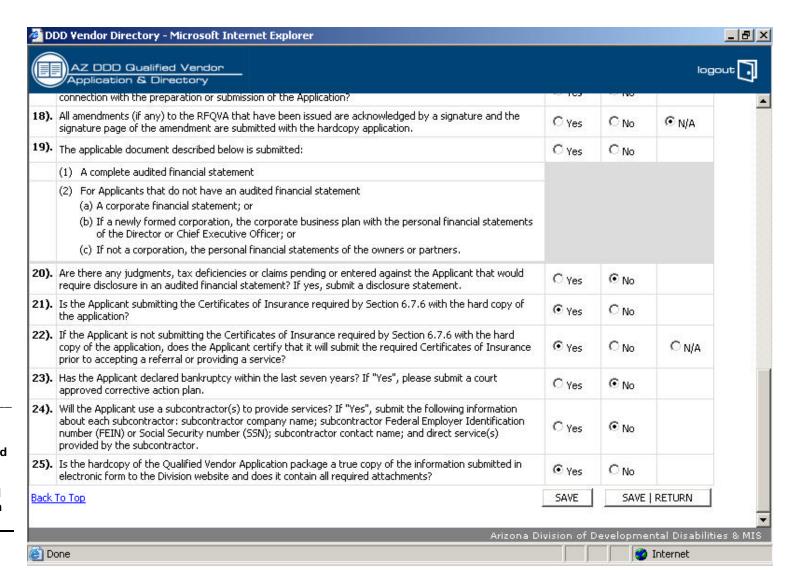


Figure 4-2 (Bottom)
A typical Qualified

A typical Qualified Vendor Application Assurances and Submittals Form page.

SECTION 5: MY SERVICES

This section will focus on your disclosure of information related to the services you wish to offer under a Qualified Vendor Agreement.



NOTE: Do not click on the "Submit for Review" button until you have completed ALL data entry for ALL sections. However, we recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.

At the screen entitled **Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 5-1)**, click on the link entitled "<u>My Services</u>". You will be taken to a page entitled **My Services (Refer to Figure 5-2)**.



NOTE: On that page you will see the notice: You currently have no Services selected. Please press the ADD/REMOVE button.

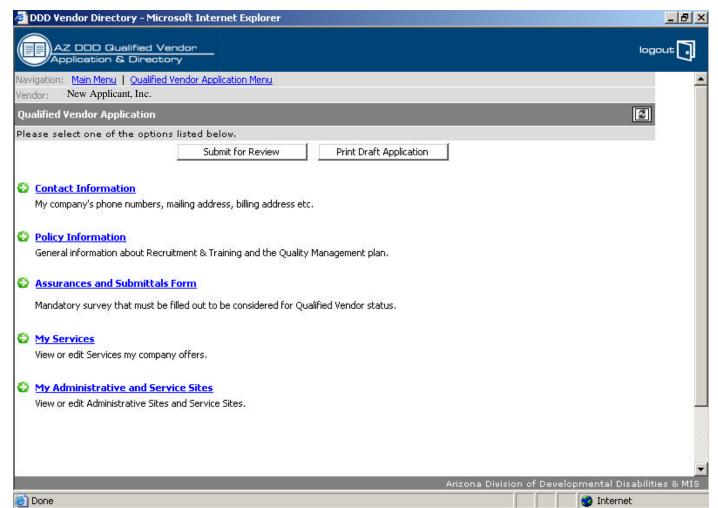
On the My Services page click on the ADD/REMOVE button to be taken to a screen entitled **Select Services (Refer to Figure 5-3).** You will be able to:

- 1) ADD a New Service
- 2) **REMOVE** or delete a listed Service
- 3) EDIT a listed Service



Helpful Hints:

- REVIEW Section 7 Service Specifications and general application instructions to guide you in the development of your responses.
 - Service Specifications link.
 - o http://www.de.state.az.us/ddd/downloads/vender/Section%207%20-%20Service%20Specifications%206-1-04%20vfinal.pdf
- All questions must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status.
- Responses should reflect knowledge of service specifications and how you conduct business.
- Each major text area is limited to 2000 characters maximum.
- There is no 'spell-check' feature in the text areas. It is strongly recommended that you create your responses using a word processing program to not only spell-check your entries, but also to check the character length of each entry.
- If you select any of the Group Home services you must also select Room & Board All Group Homes.
- On the Select Services page the DES/DDD contract number in the box to the right of the service title is to be left blank.



A typical **Qualified**

Figure 5-1

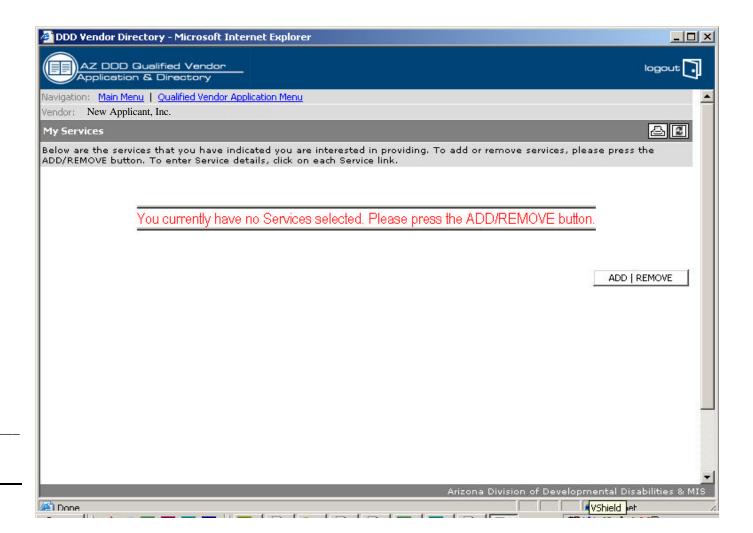


Figure 5-2
A typical My
Services page.

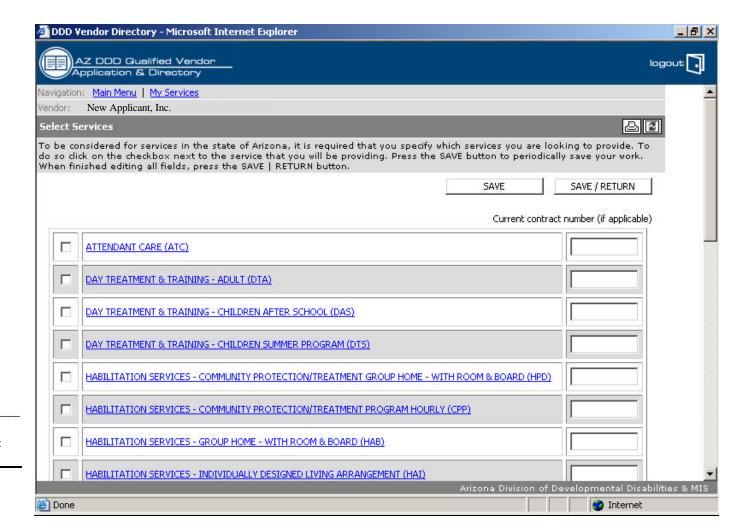


Figure 5-3
A typical Select
Services page.

Option 1 – ADD a Service

This selection is chosen to add a service to a NEW application or to add a service to an EXISTING agreement by Amendment.

- A full listing of available service titles will be shown.
- Click on any of the titles for the full and current Service Specification. The Service Specification will be presented in a separate window as an Adobe ".pdf" file. Adobe Acrobat Reader is a free downloadable program available at www.adobe.com.



NOTE: For these files, it is strongly recommended that you **print**, **save or both** and review the information thoroughly as an aid to your data entry process.

Select a Service(s):

- Select a Listed Service by clicking the box to the left of the service title.
- The DES/DDD contract number in the box to the right of the service title should be left blank.
- When finished selecting all desired services, click on the SAVE/RETURN button.
 This will take you back to the My Services page showing a list of the service(s) you have selected.

Providing information on your services:

At the My Services page, click on the first service. You will be taken to a Service Detail Information page (Refer to Figure 5-4) for that service. REVIEW Section 7 - Service Specifications and general application instructions to guide you in the development of your responses.

You will be asked to provide detailed and pertinent information on your service covering the following categories:

- Program Description (required)
- Community Access (required)

Provide the following information ONLY IF different from entries in "SECTION 3. POLICY INFORMATION":

- Recruitment and Training Policies
- Incident Reporting
- Complaint and Grievance Processes
- Program Feedback Process
- Consumer Involvement
- Internal Quality Efforts

The information required will range from <u>checked boxes</u> to <u>detailed text paragraphs</u> in response to the areas and questions presented. When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE / RETURN** button. This will take you back to the **My Services (Fig. 13)** page showing a list of the service(s) you have selected.

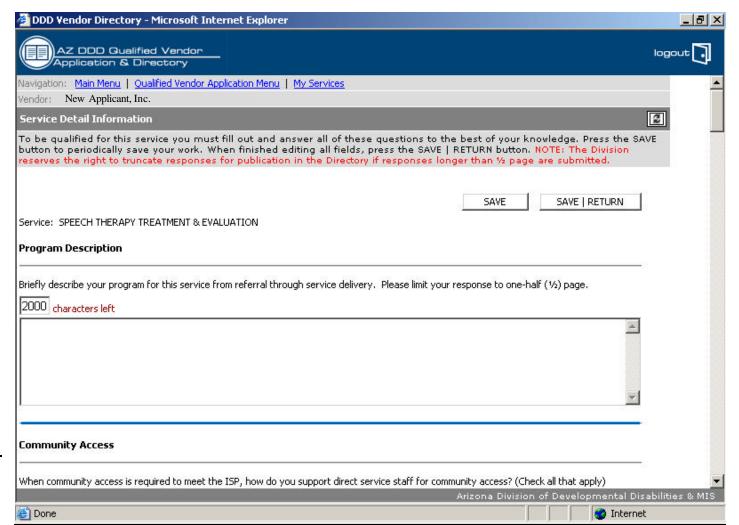


Figure 5-4
A typical Service
Detail Information
page.

Option 2 – REMOVE a Service

This selection is chosen to REMOVE or delete a service on a NEW application **prior to final application submission** or to REMOVE or delete a service on an EXISTING agreement by Amendment.

- To REMOVE or delete a service, click on the ADD / REMOVE button while on the My Services page (Refer to Figure 5-2). You will then be taken to the Select Services (Refer to Figure 5-3) page.
- If you delete a service after entering site information, it is necessary to uncheck this service from any sites PRIOR TO deleting the service.
- UNCHECK the appropriate box on the left of the Service Title.
- When finished, click on the SAVE / RETURN button. This will take you back to
 the My Services page (Refer to Figure 5-2) showing a list of the remaining service(s) you have selected.

Option 3 - EDIT a Service

This selection is chosen to **EDIT** the details of your service on a 1) a NEW application **prior to** final application submission, 2) resubmitting an application and 3) processing and amendment on your application. **REVIEW Section 7 - Service Specifications and general application instructions to guide you in the development of your responses.**

- To **EDIT** the details of your service, click on the service name. This will take you to the **Service Detail Information** page for that service.
- EDIT the information and when your data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE / RETURN** button. This will take you back to the **My Services** page (Refer to Figure 5-2) showing a list of your service(s).

When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE I RETURN** button. This will take you back to the **My Services** page (**Refer to Figure 5-2**) showing a list of the service(s) you have selected.

Use the Navigation Bar at the top of the page to be taken to the Qualified Vendor Application page (Refer to Figure 5-1).

SECTION 6. MY ADMINISTRATIVE and SERVICE SITES

This section will focus on **adding**, **editing or deleting** information related to **where you will be administering your business** under a Qualified Vendor Agreement.



NOTE: Do not click on the "Submit for Review" button until you have completed ALL data entry for ALL section. However, we recommend that you press the 'SAVE' button periodically to save your work.



Helpful Hints:

- All areas must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status.
- The item marked with a RED ASTERISK are REQUIRED ENTRIES.
- There is no 'spell-check' feature in any text areas. It is strongly recommended that you create your responses using a word processing to not only spell-check your entries, but also to check the character length of each entry.
- Only the following services need a SPECIFIC SERVICE SITE:
 - Day Treatment and Training Adult (DTA)
 - Day Treatment and Training Children (DTT)
 - Day Treatment and Training Children Summer Program (DTS)
 - Habilitation Services Group Home With Room and Board (HAB)
 - Habilitation Services Individually Designed Living Arrangement (HAI)
 - Habilitation Services Medical Group Home With Room and Board (HAN)
 - Habilitation Services Adult Developmental Home (HBA)
 - Habilitation Services Child Developmental Home (HBC)
 - Habilitation Services Community Protection/Treatment Group Home With Room and Board (HPD)

ADMINISTRATIVE SITES

Option 1 - Add a New Administrative Site

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1), click on the link "My Administrative and Service Sites".

You will then be taken to a page entitled My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2).

On the My Administrative Sites page click on the "Add New Site" link and you will be taken to a page entitled Administrative Site Information (Refer to Figure 6-3).



NOTE: Enter all necessary information about the <u>Administrative Site</u>, <u>contact and hours of operation</u>. All areas must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status. Be sure to select the service(s) to be provided at each Administrative Site.

When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE I RETURN** button. This will take you back to the **My Administrative Sites** page (**Refer to Figure 6-2**) showing a list of the service(s) you have selected.

Use the Navigation Bar at the top of the page to be taken to the **Administrative Site Information** page (**Refer to Figure 6-3**). On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "**Qualified Vendor Application Menu**" to be taken back to the main application menu.

Option 2 - To Edit an Existing Administrative Site

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1), click on the link "My Administrative and Service Sites".

You will then be taken to a page entitled **My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2)**. On that page click on the link associated with the site you want to edit. You will be taken to a page entitled **Administrative Site Information (Refer to Figure 6-3)** where you can edit the site information.

When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE I RETURN** button. This will take you back to the **My Administrative Sites** page **(Refer to Figure 6-2)** showing a list of the service(s) you have selected.

Use the Navigation Bar at the top of the page to be taken to the **Administrative Site Information** page (**Refer to Figure 6-3**). On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "**Qualified Vendor Application Menu**" to be taken back to the main application menu.

Option 3 - To Delete an Existing Administrative Site



NOTE: PRIOR TO deleting an Administrative Site be sure to remove all Service Sites FIRST.

At the screen entitled **Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1)**, click on the link entitled "<u>My Administrative and Service Sites</u>". You will be taken to a page entitled **My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2)**. On that page click on the "<u>Delete</u>" link associated with the site you want to delete.

You will be given a pop-up note that reads:



Press OK and you will be taken to a page entitled My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2).

On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "Qualified Vendor Application Menu" to be taken back to the main application menu.

SERVICE SITES



Helpful Hints: ONLY the following services need a SPECIFIC SERVICE SITE:

Day Treatment and Training – Adult (DTA)

Day Treatment and Training - Children (DTT)

Day Treatment and Training – Children Summer Program (DTS)

Habilitation Services – Group Home – With Room and Board (HAB)

Habilitation Services - Adult Developmental Home (HBA)

Habilitation Services - Child Developmental Home (HBC)

Option 1 - Add a New Service Site

Habilitation Services – Individually Designed Living Arrangement (HAI)

Habilitation Services – Medical Group Home - With Room and Board (HAN)

Habilitation Services – Community Protection/Treatment Group Home - With Room and Board (HPD)

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1), click on the link "My Administrative and Service Sites".

You will then be taken to a page entitled My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2).

On the My Administrative Sites page click on any <u>SERVICE SITE</u> that is <u>underlined and hi-lighted in blue</u>. These links are for ONLY those services listed above. You will be taken to a page entitled <u>THE NAME OF THE SELECTED SERVICE</u> (Refer to Figure 6-??). Click on the link entitled "Add New Site". You will be taken to page where you will enter data pertaining to the site.



NOTE: Enter all necessary information about the <u>Service Site</u>, <u>contact and hours of operation</u>. All areas must be answered fully and honestly in order to be considered for Qualified Vendor Status. Be sure to select the service(s) to be provided at each Administrative Site.

When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE I RETURN** button. This will take you back to a page listing your new Service Site for that service. (Refer to Figure 6-??) showing a list of the Service Sites you have added. **YOU WILL NEED TO ADD A SERVICE SITE FOR EACH AND EVERY SERVICE** underlined and hi-lighted in blue.

Use the Navigation Bar at the top of the page to be taken to the **My Sites** page (Refer to Figure 6-??). On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "Qualified Vendor Application Menu" to be taken back to the main application menu.

Option 2 - To Edit an Existing Service Site

At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1), click on the link "My Administrative and Service Sites".

You will then be taken to a page entitled **My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2)**. On that page click on the link **underlined and hi-lighted in blue** associated with the SERVICE you want to edit. You will be taken to a page entitled **THE NAME OF THE SELECTED SERVICE (Refer to Figure 6-??)** where you can then select the Service Site(s) you wish to edit.

When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE I RETURN** button. You will be taken to a page entitled **THE NAME OF THE SELECTED SERVICE (Refer to Figure 6-??)** that will list all the Service Sites associated with your selected service.

Use the Navigation Bar at the top of the page to be taken to the **My Sites** page (**Refer to Figure 6-??**). On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "Qualified Vendor Application Menu" to be taken back to the main application menu.

Option 3 - To Delete an Existing Service Site

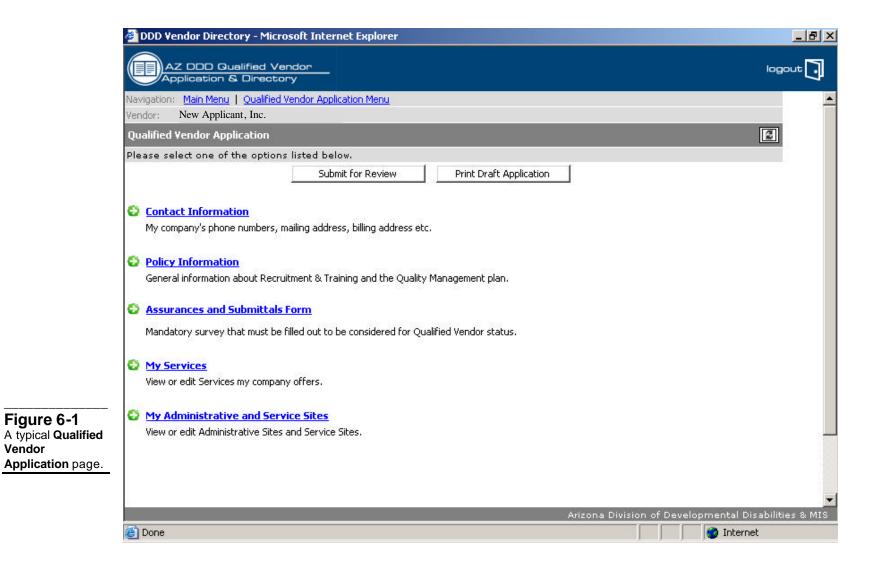
At the screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application (Refer to Figure 6-1), click on the link entitled "My Administrative and Service Sites". You will be taken to a page entitled My Administrative Sites (Refer to Figure 6-2). On that page click on the "SERVICE" link you want to delete. You will then be taken to a page entitled THE NAME OF THE SELECTED SERVICE (Refer to Figure 6-??) that will display all Service Sites providing the selected service. Click on the "Delete" link of the Service Site that you wish to delete.

You will be given a pop-up note that reads:



Press OK and you will see the remaining sites associated with the selected service

On the top of this page, click on the link entitled "Qualified Vendor Application Menu" to be taken back to the main application menu.



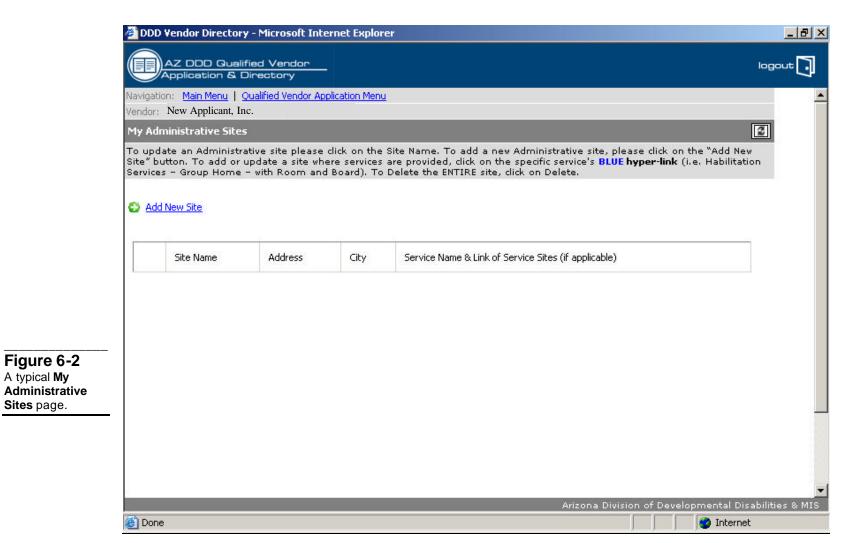
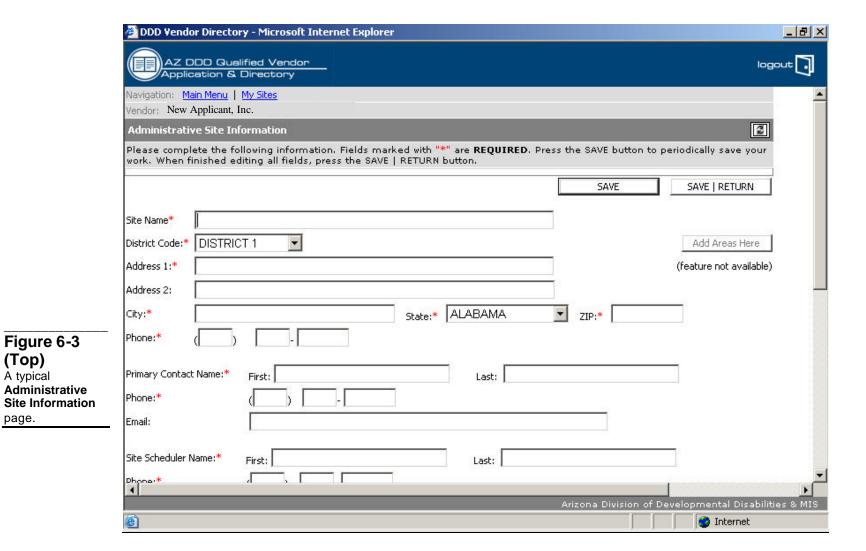


Figure 6-2 A typical My

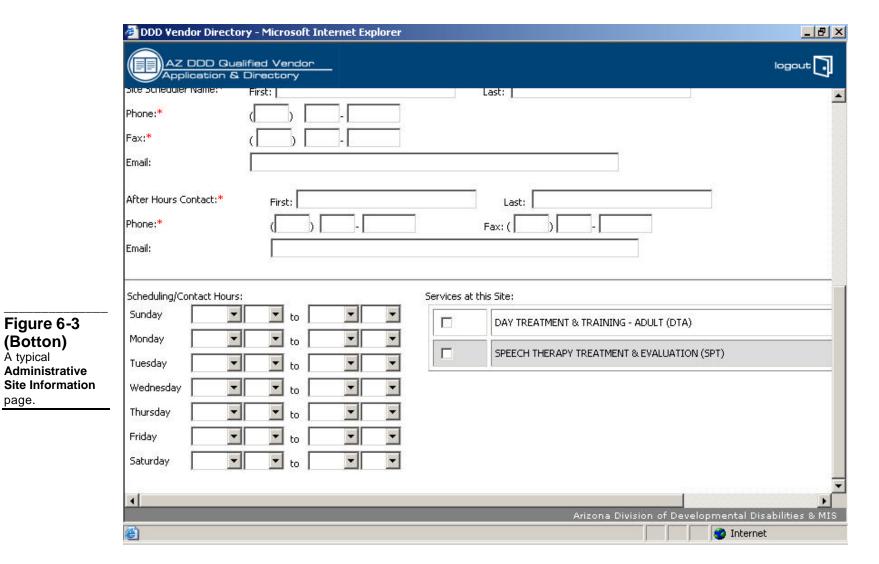
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(Top) A typical

page.



(Botton) A typical

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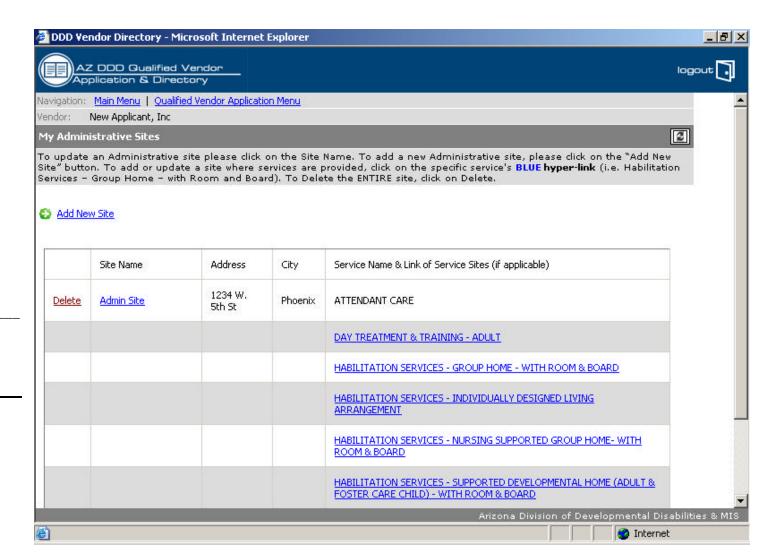
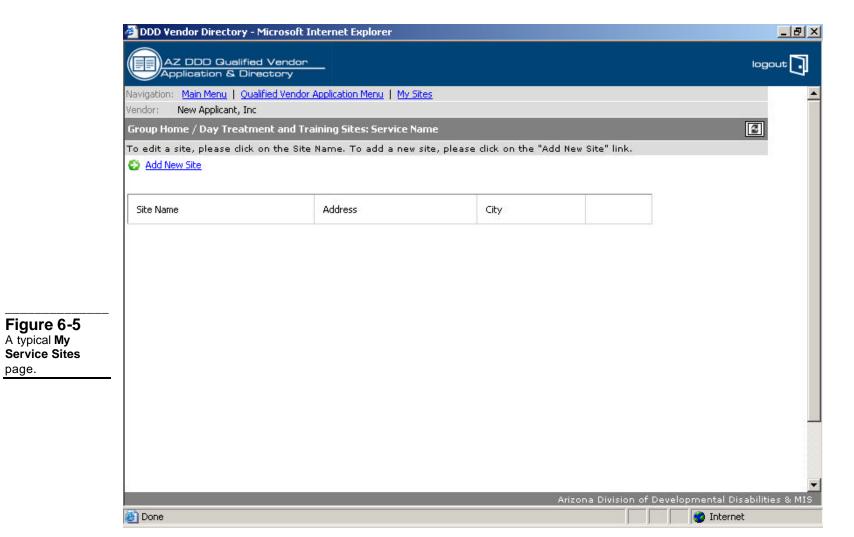


Figure 6-4
A typical
Administrative
Site requiring
Service Sites.



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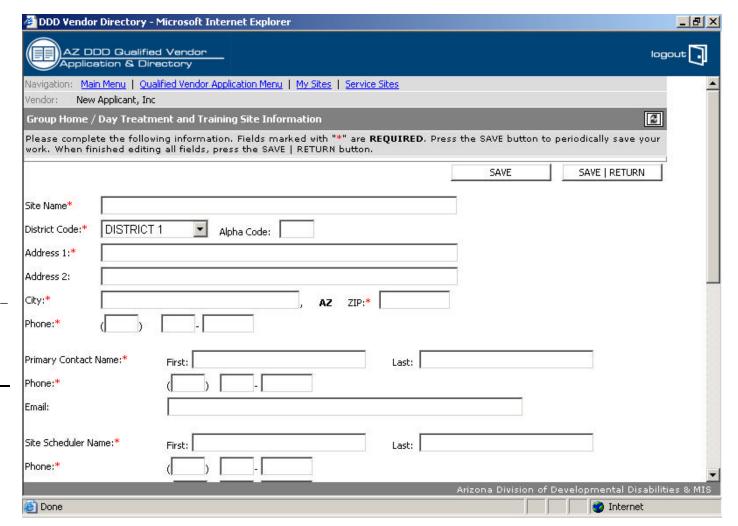


Figure 6-6 (Top) A typical Service Site Information page.

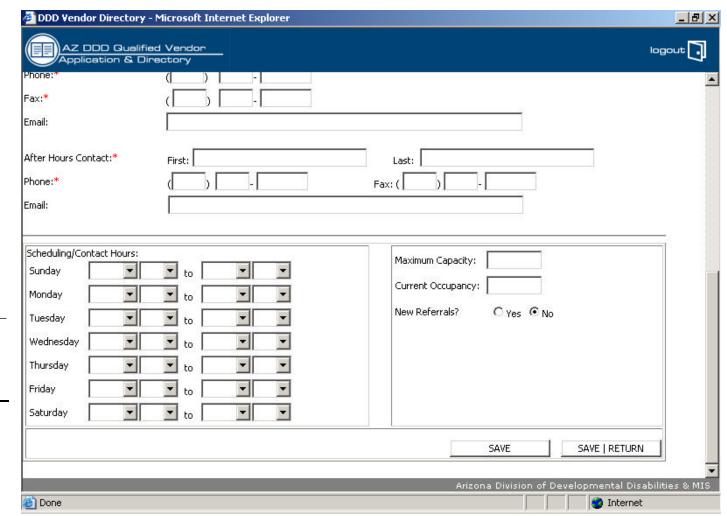


Figure 6-6 (Botton)
A typical Service Site Information page.

SECTION 7. PRINT DRAFT APPLICATION

This section will focus on your printing and proofing your entered data PRIOR TO SUBMISSION of a Qualified Vendor Agreement.



NOTE: Take the time to REVIEW and MAKE ANY NECESSARY EDITS and CORRECTIONS before you submit your application.

AT the TOP of the **Qualified Vendor Application Menu (Refer to Figure 7-1)** screen click on the button entitled "<u>Print Draft</u> **Application**".

You will be taken to a screen entitled **Print Draft(s)** (Refer to Figure 7-2). <u>PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS ONLY A DRAFT AND NOT YOUR FINAL SUBMITTABLE APPLICATION.</u>

You will be given the following print option links:

- Print All Entered Data 1
- Assurances & Submittals Form 2
- Vendor Contract Information 2
- Vendor Policies 2
- List of Services Offered 2
- Service Detail Information 2
- Administrative Sites 2
- Service Sites 2

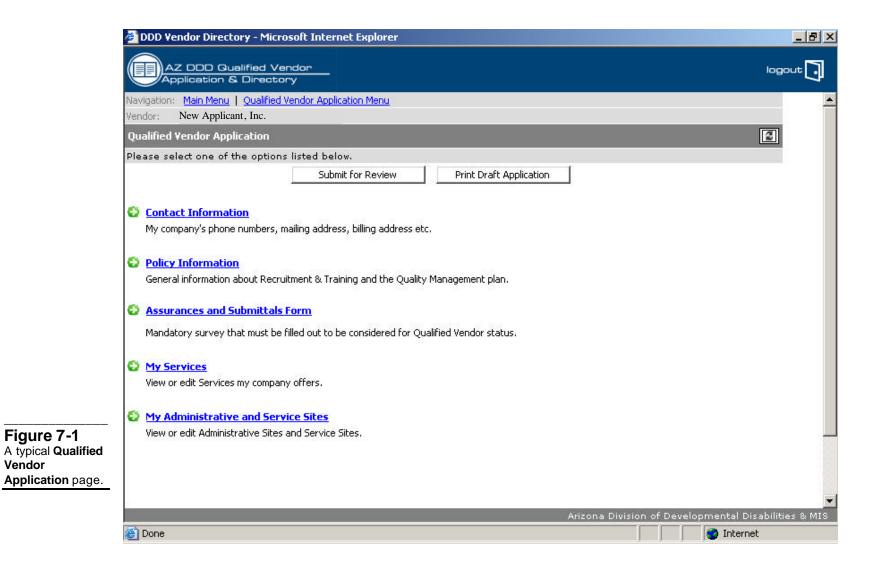
1 The **Print All Entered Data** link generates **all** of the data you have entered so far into "HTML" format.



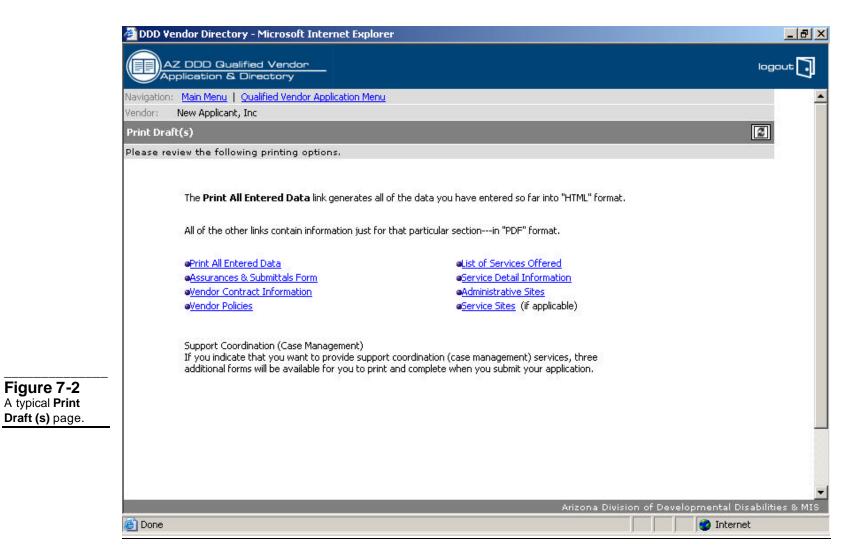
₂ All of the other links contain information just for that particular section in Adobe Acrobat "PDF" format.

NOTE: You will need ADOBE ACROBAT READER in order to view and print these files. Adobe Acrobat Reader is a free downloadable program available at www.adobe.com.

You may reenter any section to REVIEW and MAKE ANY NECESSARY EDITS and CORRECTIONS by simply clicking on the link at the top of the page entitled **Qualified Vendor Application Menu (Refer to Figure 7-1)** to be taken back to the main application menu. There you can select the section(s) you wish to make you corrections. When data entry is complete, click on the **SAVE | RETURN** button.



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SECTION 8. SUBMIT FOR REVIEW – Online and Mail

This section will cover your SUBMISSION of a Qualified Vendor Agreement.



NOTE: Take the time to REVIEW and MAKE ANY NECESSARY EDITS and CORRECTIONS before you submit your application.

AT the TOP of the **Qualified Vendor Application Menu (Refer to Figure 8-1)** screen click on the button entitled "<u>Submit for Review</u>". You will be taken to a screen entitled Qualified Vendor Application. If your application is incomplete, the system will list the missing data (**Refer to Figure 8-2**).

On this screen you will see any and all areas that are yet incomplete on your application. There will be specific section(s) with links to go back into that section(s) allowing you to complete the section. Also listed will be the specific areas of the section that need further input to be considered complete.

Once you complete ALL REQUIRED DATA ENTRY, you will then be allowed to submit your application. At this point, when you click on the submit for review button, the screen will state: "all required fields on your application are complete" (Refer to Figure 8-3).



NOTE: If you <u>DO NOT</u> wish to submit your application yet, click on the MAIN MENU link at the top of the screen. This will take you back to the Qualified Vendor Application screen (Refer to Figure 8-1).

If you <u>DO</u> wish to submit your application, you must click on the SUBMIT button at the bottom of the page (Refer to Figure 8-3). You will be taken to the Application Submit page (Refer to Figure 8-4).



NOTE: Once the SUBMIT button has been pressed, you will **NO LONGER** be able to log into your application to edit any of the data in your application. You will receive a screen congratulating you on your on-line application submission and will provide you the DATE and TIME of your submission.

You will be given the following print option links:

- Assurances & Submittals Form 1
- Vendor Contract Information
- Vendor Policies
- List of Services Offered
- Service Detail Information
- Administrative Sites
- Service Sites

₁ This link will not be available until you have clicked on all the other print links.

All of the links contain information just for that particular section in Adobe Acrobat "PDF" format.

NOTE: You will need ADOBE ACROBAT READER in order to view and print these files. Adobe Acrobat Reader is a free downloadable program available at www.adobe.com.

NOTE: If you selected Case Management as one of your services, you will be required to print, fill out, and submit three additional forms (Refer to Figure 8-5):

- J-119 Data Sharing Request Agreement
- J-125 Request for Terminal Access and Other Activities
- J-129 User Affirmation Statement

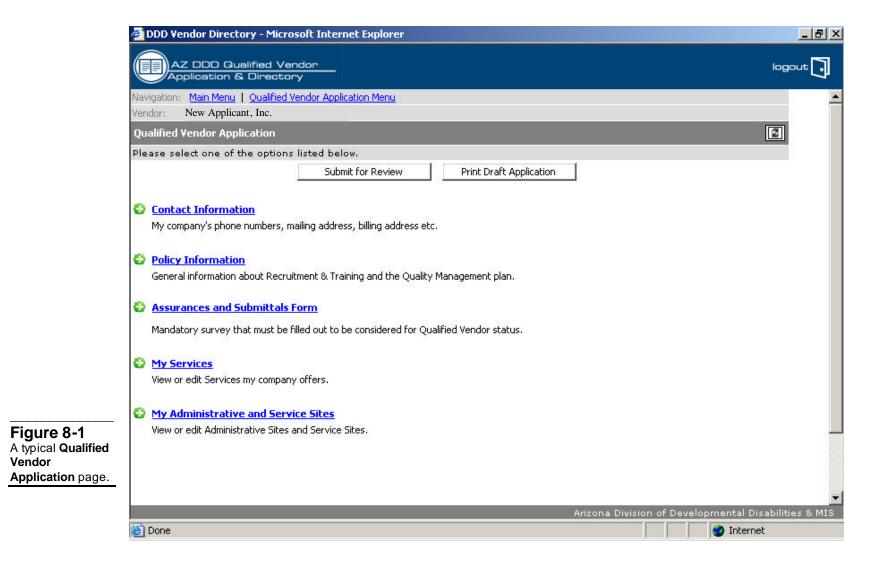
As covered in the Introduction, the <u>completed agreement</u> will consist of the following key elements and it is important that applicants know and understand ALL of the following:

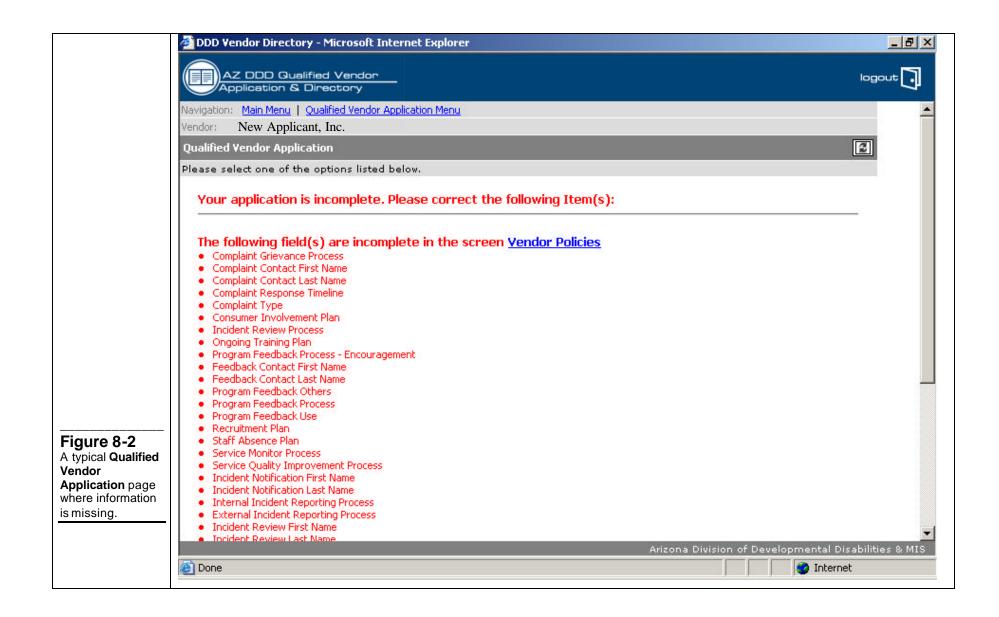
- A completed on-line application.
- All nine Sections of the Request for Qualified Vendor Application (RFQVA).
- All responses provided by the Applicant Vendor.
- All additional hardcopy materials as per the Submittal Checklist such as:
 - Financial Information
 - o Arizona Substitute W-9 Form

All hardcopy materials are to be mailed to: DES/DDD - Contracts Unit 791A
P. O. Box 6123
1789 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85007-6123

In the Introduction a <u>Submittal Checklist</u> was mentioned. Use this checklist to ensure that all necessary documents are completed, printed and signed with <u>ORIGINAL signatures</u> before mailing to our Central Office for processing.

When DES/DDD receives and logs your hardcopy materials, your application and all associated hardcopy materials will then be reviewed within approximately 60 days.





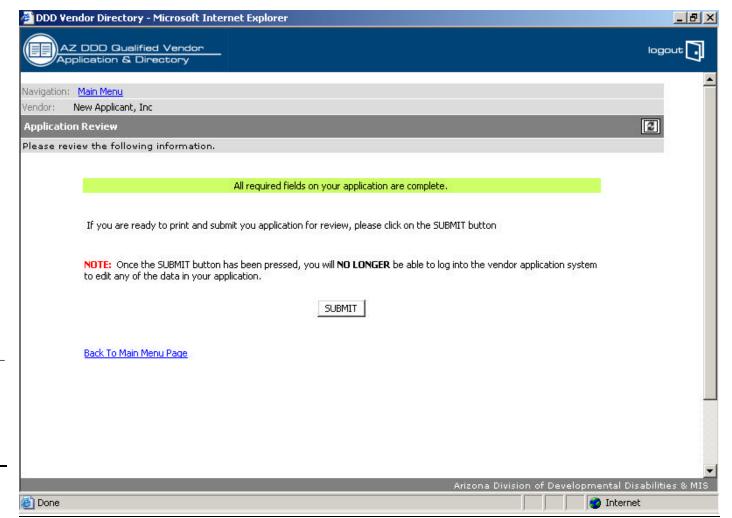
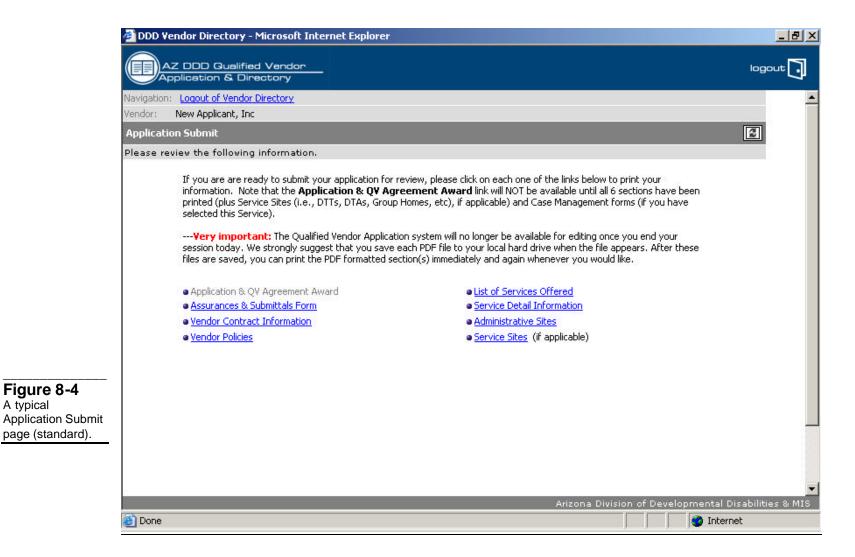


Figure 8-3
A typical Qualified Vendor
Application page where all required information has been entered.



A typical

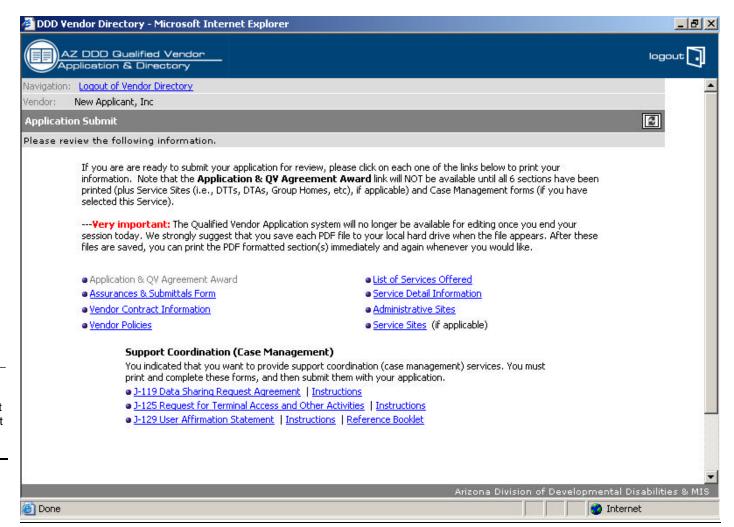


Figure 8-5

A typical Application Submit page (with Support Coordination forms).